

Roger W. Titus, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Alicia R. Castaneda, of the District of Columbia, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board for a term expiring February 27, 2004.

Alicia R. Castaneda, of the District of Columbia, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board for a term expiring February 27, 2011. (Re-appointment)

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

5 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 5:38 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 19, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8165.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, and to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Admiral Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN, to be Admiral, and Lieutenant General William S. Wallace, USA, to be Lieutenant General.

BASEL CAPITAL ACCORD

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the New Basel Capital Accord, a proposal issued by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision to make final modifications for a new capital adequacy framework, focusing on proposed changes to the current capital regime and possible effects on the amount of risk-based capital banks are required to hold, on the risk management techniques they employ, and on the domestic and international competitive landscapes, after receiving testimony from Roger W. Ferguson, Jr., Vice Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; James E. Gilleran, Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, and John D. Hawke, Jr., Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, both of the Department of the Treasury; Donald E. Powell, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Edward I. Altman, New York University Leonard N. Stern School of Business, and D. Wilson Ervin, Credit Suisse First Boston, on behalf of the Financial Services Roundtable, both of New York, New York; Micah S. Green, Bond Market Association, and Karen Shaw Petrou, Federal Financial Analytics, Inc., both of Washington, D.C.; Maurice H. Hartigan II, Risk Management Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Kevin M. Blakely, Keycorp, Sydney, Australia.

BUSINESS MEETINGS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 498, to authorize the President to posthumously award a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Joseph A. De Laine in recognition of his contributions to the Nation; and

An original bill to facilitate check truncation by authorizing substitute checks, to foster innovation in the check collection system without mandating receipt of checks in electronic form, and to improve the overall efficiency of the Nation's payments system.

BURMA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs concluded hearings to examine the development of democracy in Burma, focusing on the political situation, independent news and information, institution-building programs, and the protection of Burmese Refugees in Thailand, and S. 1182, to sanction the ruling Burmese military junta, to strengthen Burma's democratic forces and support and recognize the National League of Democracy as the legitimate representative of the Burmese people, after receiving testimony from Senator

McConnell; Lorne W. Craner, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; Kenneth Rogers, Indiana University, Bloomington; U. Aung Din, Free Burma Coalition, Brian Joseph, National Endowment for Democracy, and Veronika A. Martin, Refugees International, all of Washington, D.C.; and Kevin M. Burke, American Apparel and Footwear Association, Arlington, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nominations of Robert W. Fitts, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu, and Greta N. Morris, of California, to be Ambassador to the Marshall Islands, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nominations of John E. Herbst, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Tracey Ann Jacobson, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Turkmenistan, and George A. Krol, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to Belarus, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Fern Flanagan Saddler, Judith Nan Macaluso, Joseph Michael Francis Ryan III, and Jerry Stewart Byrd, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, after the nominees, who were introduced by District of Columbia Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, testified and answered questions on their own behalf.

AUTHORIZATION—WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment, Safety and Training concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Workforce Investment Act, after receiving testimony from Sigurd R. Nilsen, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, General Accounting Office; James N. Ellenberger, Virginia Employment Commission,

Richmond; Charles Ware, Wyoming Workforce Development Council, Cheyenne; Curtis C. Austin, Workforce Florida, Inc., Tallahassee; Michael H. Kennedy, Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council, Lacey, Washington; and Michael E. Smeltzer, Manufacturers' Association of South Central Pennsylvania, York.

NATIVE AMERICAN SACRED PLACES

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine federal efforts to ensure access to and protection of Native American sacred sites, including the establishment of a sacred sites protection policy, after receiving testimony from William D. Bettenberg, Director, Office of Policy Analysis, Department of the Interior; Suzan Shown Harjo, Morning Star Institute, Washington, D.C.; Charmaine White Face, Defenders of the Black Hills, Rapid City, South Dakota; Joyce Bear, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Okmulgee, Oklahoma; Gene Preston, Pit River Tribal Council, Burney, California; Steve Brady, Sr., Northern Cheyenne Crazy Dogs Society, Lame Deer, Montana, on behalf of the Medicine Wheel Coalition for Sacred Sites of North America.

NEWS CORPORATION/DIRECTV DEAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights concluded hearings to examine the NewsCorp/DirectTV deal, focusing on global distribution, and possible effects on prices paid by consumers for pay television and choice and variety of programming, after receiving testimony from K. Rupert Murdoch, News Corporation, and Scott Cleland, Precursor Group, both of New York, New York; Eddy W. Hartenstein, DIRECTV, Inc., Los Angeles, California; Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, Washington, D.C.; and Robert Miron, Advance/Newhouse Communications, Syracuse, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Frank Libutti, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection, Department of Homeland Security.